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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Koichi HATA et al. :  
Serial No. NEW 10803906 : Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH  
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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants request entry of the following preliminary remarks: